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In re patent application of: Dave Bova  
For: **NICOTINIC ACID COMPOSITIONS FOR TREATING  
HYPERLIPIDEMIA AND RELATED METHODS THEREFOR**

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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

It is hereby respectfully requested that the above-identified application for U.S. patent be amended as follows.

In the Title:

In the title, please add - **HYDROPHOBIC COMPONENT FREE SUSTAINED RELEASE**  
-- before "NICOTINIC"